





#### COOKING PLEDGE

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PLOPPED MY CHEF HAT ON AND FOUND A GREAT BIG BOWL FOR MIXING. FOLLOWED THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE FEAST THAT I WAS FIXING.

MIXED AND STIRRED INGREDIENTS TO MAKE MY RECIPE... I JUST LOVE COOKING HEALTHY MEALS FOR ALL MY FRIENDS AND ME!





## Food for thought... What's in your kitchen?



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Note: All activities in this book should be performed with adult supervision.

### BUBBLY, SCRUBBY HANDS

COUNTING, ADDING, PLAYING, CLAPPING, THAT'S WHAT HANDS ARE FOR!

STICKY, DIRTY, SWEATY, GERMY ON YOUR HANDS AND MORE!

UN-GRUB THEM, SCRUB THEM, RINSE AND RUB THEM, LIKE A HAND WASHING MACHINE!

HI-FIVES, HANDSHAKES, THUMB WARS, FIST BUMPS, ARE BETTER WHEN YOUR HANDS ARE CLEAN!



## You are what you eat...so eat well!

**Protein** helps us to grow and make muscles. Protein is found in meat, chicken and fish. It is also in nuts and some beans. Milk, eggs and cheese are also good sources of protein. But remember, protein can have a lot of fat that is not so good for us, so choose the low fat kinds of these foods.

Calcium is a mineral that helps to build bones and teeth. Growing kids need calcium almost every day.

Milk, yogurt and cheese are good sources. Choose the low fat versions of these foods.

Vitamins are found in a lot of foods we eat everyday. There are many types of vitamins. Our bodies need them to grow and stay healthy. Fruits and veggies, milk and eggs, nuts and meat all contain one or more vitamin. Vitamins are named for letters in the alphabet: A, B, C, D, E and K. Examples are: Vitamin A, found in carrots and sweet potatoes, helps you see well, even in the dark. Vitamin C, found in blueberries and strawberries, helps you heal if you scrape your knee. Vitamin D, found in milk and eggs, helps to build strong bones.

Carbs - short for carbohydrates (car-bo-hy-drate) - give us the fuel our bodies need to stay active. There are different types of carbs. Some get used up fast like sugar or white bread. Others last longer like beans or whole wheat bread. Try choosing the carbs that last longer so your energy lasts longer!

Oil is all fat, so you only need a little. Cooking foods in only oil will give you too much fat. Try cooking with chicken broth instead of oil. Another healthy way to cook is to grill or bake. Fat: Our bodies need some fat, but only a little to stay healthy. Fats are found in a lot of foods. Some of these foods include butter, oil, meat and ice cream. Fat can also be added by the way we cook food, such as frying foods - think of French fries and potato chips. Too much fat can make us gain weight and be bad for our hearts. To avoid too much fat in your diet you should eat less fried foods, candy and cookies. Choose low fat milk and cheese, and take the skin off chicken. Also, instead of fried or breaded chicken, try grilled or baked.

Sugar is sweet and it tastes good. But it is one of those carbs that get used up fast, which means it only gives you a short burst of energy. Too much sugar can make us gain weight and give us cavities in our teeth. Soda and candy have a lot of sugar in them so these should be sometime treats, not everyday things.

Fiber helps to keep you full longer. It is found in fruits, veggies, beans, brown rice and whole wheat bread.

## Banana-sicle & Yogurt

 $1_{st}$ PLACE ALEXIA A. AGE 10, OHIO

Ingredients: 1 Banana 1/8 cup Low Fat Granola 1/4 cup Low Fat Vanilla Yogurt Popsicle stick

Nutrition: Servings: 1 Calories: 209 Calories from Fat: 17 Total Fat: 1.8g Saturated Fat: 0.9g Cholesterol: 3mg Sodium: 64mg Carbohydrates: 43.1g Dietary Fiber: 3.3g Protein: 5g

Instructions:

Put banana on a popsicle stick.

Dip banana in yogurt (covering banana). Roll banana covered in yogurt in granola.

Freeze for one hour.

THIS TREAT IS GOOD FOR YOU AND FUNTO MAKE!



KIT SPROCKETTE

This is a great snack if you are going to be active after school. It is also a healthy snack low in fat that contains protein and calcium for growing bodies, carbohydrates for energy and fiber to fill you up till dinner.

## **Bitty Cracker Tomato Soup**



Ingredients:

8 oz. Tomato Soup, condensed

DARBY BOINGG 4 oz. 1% Low Fat Milk (about 1/2 cup)

2 oz. Cheese Crackers

1 oz. Shredded Cheddar Cheese (about 1/2 cup)

Instructions: Prepare soup with milk. Top with crackers and cheese.



Nutrition: Servings: 4 Calories: 153 Calories from Fat: 64 Total Fat: 7.1g Saturated Fat: 3.3g Cholesterol: 10mg Sodium: 513mg Carbohydrates: 17.2g Dietary Fiber: 0.6g Protein: 5g

### Apple Cinnamon Wrap Up

JOSEPHINE R. AGE 10, OHIO





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Ingredients:

1 tsp. Ground Cinnamon 2 tsp. Butter (salted), whipped

1 Soft Flour Tortilla

3 oz. Apples with Skin, sliced (about 1/2 cup)

Instructions:

Spread butter on tortilla. Add apple slices onto tortilla. Sprinkle cinnamon onto apples. Roll up tortilla.

Microwave for 1 minute.



Nutrition: Servings: 1 Calories: 292 Calories from Fat: 86 Total Fat: 9.5g Saturated Fat: 4.2g Cholesterol: 14mg Sodium: 324mg Carbohydrates: 46.3g Dietary Fiber: 5.4g Protein: 5.3g

This can be a healthy snack if you use whole wheat tortillas or sandwich wraps. Also be sure to go easy on the butter. The wrap and apples provide the fiber.

## Peanut "Butter-Fly" Toast & Apples

MACKENZIE S. AGE 10, OHIO

Ingredients:

1 Slice Whole Wheat Bread

1 Tbs. Smooth Peanut Butter

3 oz. Apples with Skin, sliced (about 1/2 cup)





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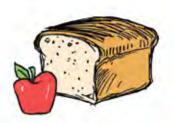
Nutrition:

Instructions:

Toast bread.

Spread peanut butter onto bread.

Top with apple slices.



Servings: 1 Calories: 236 Calories from Fat: 88 Total Fat: 9.8g Saturated Fat: 2g Cholesterol: Omg

Sodium: 233mg Carbohydrates: 29.9g

Dietary Fiber: 5.4g

Protein: 7.2g

This is a healthy snack because it gives you protein, carbohydrates and fiber. Just make sure to use whole wheat bread and not too much peanut butter. Peanut butter is good for you, but it's high in calories, which is why you have to watch how much you eat.



## **Eggs in a Basket**

DAKOTA S. AGE 11, OHIO





1 Large Egg

1 Slice Whole Wheat Bread



KIT SPROCKETTE

Instructions:

Cut a hole in the center of the bread.

Place bread in a skillet.

Crack the egg into the hole of

the bread.

Let egg cook.



Nutrition:

Servings: 1

Calories: 154

Calories from Fat: 71

Total Fat: 8g

Saturated Fat: 2.1g

Cholesterol: 211mg

Sodium: 294mg

Carbohydrates: 12.1g

Dietary Fiber: 1.7g

Protein: 8.6g

This simple meal provides protein and carbohydrates. Be sure to use whole wheat bread and non-stick cooking spray instead of butter as a healthy alternative.

## **Happy Sandwich Delight**

LAYLA G. AGE 10, OHIO

SANOWICH MAKES A HAPPY BELLY!

Ingredients:

Two Slices Whole Wheat Bread

1/4 cup Lettuce

1 Tomato Slice

4 oz. Oven Roasted White Turkey Breast

1 Tbs. Mayonnaise

1 Tbs. Mustard

Instructions:

Put mayonnaise on one piece of bread and mustard on the other piece.

Add tomato, lettuce and turkey to one piece of bread and cover

with other piece of bread.



Nutrition:

Servings: 1

Calories: 328

Calories from Fat: 85

Total Fat: 9.6g

Saturated Fat: 1.7g

Cholesterol: 49mg Sodium: 1680mg

Carbohydrates: 36.3g

Dietary Fiber: 2.8g

Protein: 24.4g

This is a filling snack that provides protein, carbohydrates and fiber. It's a good snack if you are very active after school because it will keep you full and give you energy.



### Celery Canoe & Peanut Butter

TIMOTHY H. AGE 10, OHIO



Ingredients:

1 Celery Stick

1 Tbs. Peanut Butter



SNACK-KING

Nutrition:

Instructions: Place peanut butter in the groove of the celery stick.

Servings: 1 Calories: 114 Calories from Fat: 74 Total Fat: 8.2g Saturated Fat: 1.6g Cholesterol: Omg Sodium: 126mg Carbohydrates: 5.4g

Dietary Fiber: 2g Protein: 4.4g



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This is a low-calorie snack with protein, fiber and carbohydrates. Remember, peanut butter is good for you but you shouldn't eat too much because it's high in calories.

# Edgy Veggie Pizza

THOMAS P. AGE 10, OHIO



#### Ingredients:

7.5 oz. of biscuits, plain or buttermilk, commercially baked 1 cup, Tomato products, canned sauce 6 oz. Cheese, Mozzarella, part skim milk 1/4 cup Onions, raw, cut into smaller pieces 1/4 cup Broccoli, raw, cut into smaller pieces 1/4 cup Peppers, sweet green, raw, cut into small pieces

#### Instructions:

Separate biscuits and flatten to make crust. Spread tomato sauce on flattened biscuit. Add veggies (onion, broccoli and peppers). Sprinkle with cheese.

Bake in oven using temperature indicated on biscuits.

Bake until biscuit crust is brown.



Nutrition: Servings: 6 Calories: 222 Calories from Fat: 95 Total Fat: 10.5g Saturated Fat: 3.8g Cholesterol: 16mg Sodium: 753mg Carbohydrates: 22.1g Dietary Fiber: 1.4g Protein: 9.9g

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This snack is a good way to get in your veggies. It has carbohydrates and protein but can be high in fat. Using low fat biscuits or whole wheat pita bread will make it a healthier snack.

## **Groovy Blueberry Smoothie**

LASHAWN W. AGE 9, MISSOURI



Instructions:
Place all of the ingredients into a blender.
Mix until well blended.
Pour equal amounts into two glasses and serve.

### HAPPY & HEALTHY SIPPIN'!



SKIP DRIVE-THRU

Nutrition:
Servings: 2
Calories: 177
Calories from Fat: 26
Total Fat: 2.9g
Saturated Fat: 1.5g
Cholesterol: 8mg
Sodium: 74mg
Carbohydrates: 32.7g
Dietary Fiber: 2.1g
Protein: 5g

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With carbohydrates, protein, calcium and fiber, this is a tasty low fat snack. Blueberries are high in vitamin C and help keep you healthy.

# **Tooty-Fruit and Marshmallows**

ANGELA C. AGE 10, TEXAS

#### Ingredients:

1/4 cup Roasted Almonds, without salt 2 cups Peaches, canned with juice

1/4 cup Marshmallows

1/2 cup Whipped Topping

#### Instructions:

Drain peaches and put into a bowl. Mix nuts, marshmallows and whipped topping with fruit. 001

Nutrition: Servings: 4 Calories: 119 Calories from Fat: 45 Total Fat: 5g Saturated Fat: 0.5g Cholesterol: Omg Sodium: 6mg Carbohydrates: 16.1g Dietary Fiber: 2.6g



THIS IS A SWEET TREAT THAT KEEPS YOU LIGHT ON YOUR FEET!

Protein: 2.5g

CLAIRE SPRINGS

This snack has carbohydrates, fiber and protein from the nuts. You can make it healthier by using less whipped topping and marshmallows.

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HEALTHY FOOD CHOICES
ARE GREAT FOR YOUR BODY,
CHECK OUT CHOOSE MYPLATE, GOV
AND LOOK FOR ALL OF THE STUFF
THAT MAKES UP A BALANCED MEAL!











ALWAYS REMEMBER TO HELP CLEAN UP AFTER MAKING MEALS FOR YOURSELF AND OTHERS!



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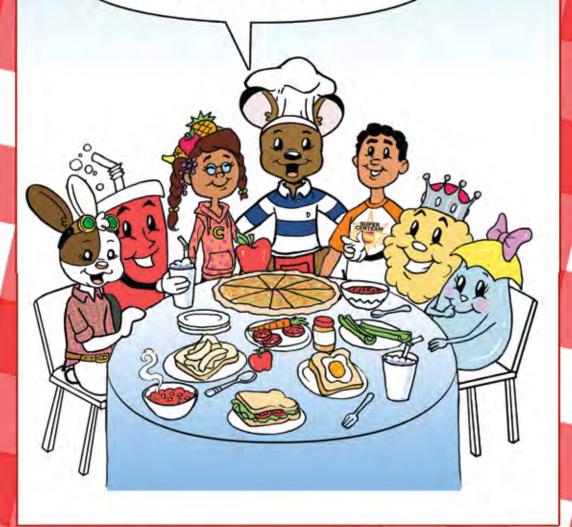








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